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A GRAVE MISTAKE.

We wish to take this opportune occasion to give a little advice to the Hon. Woodrow Wilson, president-elect of the United States: just at present sojourning in the pastoral precincts of Bermuda where the onions grow; and where the new president fondly hoped he would be far enough from the maddening crowd to escape the persistent attentions of the reporters and the photographers. The dispatches yesterday told of an encounter between Mr. Wilson and a photographer who refused to be put off and who imperiously captured a likeness of the president-elect which we fear when published will not depict the elements of that distinguished individual in an advantageous manner. Mr. Wilson not only told the photographer that he was no gentleman, but actually threatened to give him a "thrashing." Well, well, well. Wouldn't it have been a great start for this Democratic administration to pummel a photographer. The mental picture of the Sage of Seafront on top of a newspaper picture-snapper, pasting the lackey victim in the jaw until he holed "nuf almost starves us. The newspaper possibilities of this episode, especially if another enterprising camera man might get a snapshot of the encounter, make our imagination fairly glow.

Well, now to the advice. In the first place there is nothing original about the observation that a newspaper man is no gentleman. Of course he isn't. The reporter applying for a newspaper job who declared as a qualification that he was a perfect gentleman would walk quickly out with his hat in his hand amid the coarse guffaw of the office-boy and the printer's devil. No true gentleman would long live in the newspaper business. He couldn't. A gentleman could never get any news, not to mention photographs. Any man who has any intelligent ideas about how to make a noise like a public figure knows that newspaper men are not gentlemen and makes the best of the situation by smilingly allowing them to interview him on all subjects at all times and photograph him in all poses.

To refuse would have no effect upon the ethics of the profession and would not result in any reporter being more gentlemanly. As to thrashing a reporter, it is really absurd. Reporters are used to it. One or two or more lickings are considered merely part of the day's work. But our big men do not thrash reporters. Even Colonel Roosevelt, who is physically and by reason of practical experience much better equipped for practical pugilistics, never attempts it. Thrashing a reporter is like fighting a windmill or bailing out the Mississippi river—it is an endless job and you never get anywhere.

To the new president we would say in all kindness, do not thrash the reporters. It won't hurt them and don't do you any good. In fact it is likely to do you considerable harm. That's the wrong kind of a start. Smile upon the reporters; invite them in to have a hot chocolate or a nut sundae; give them long chats with bright, witty and clever answers; let them as they wish, but don't thrash them. Give them a quarter for every line they give your picture; let them give your picture once in a while. This mistake you have made is a profoundly radical one; rectify it as soon as you can.

A presidential policy of thrashing reporters will lead only to national shame. Let us hope that the president-elect will carry his advice from now on.

Also women on the police force, the complaints have been made here and then by young men who were accused of "mashing," whereas, they claimed, they were conducting their own quite innocent.

There is no doubt that a limited number of women with police power may form a very useful adjunct to the police force of any city. But the women must have the gift of tact, as well as sympathy for their sex. Whether the women who interrogated the sailors at Seattle were tactful or merely officious does not appear. Admiral Reynolds says he believes the men's story; Mayor Catterall has produced affidavits from the girls stating that they were shown no disrespect. It is probably the case that the ordinary policeman, efficient as he may be in emergencies, overlooks many opportunities of usefulness. Not only in the protection from insult of women on the streets, but in the matter of the enforcement of some of the city ordinances with respect to sanitation, women on the force may be found to be of not a little value.

In the matter of spitting on the sidewalks and elsewhere, for instance, it is very likely that a good many policemen, who may perhaps chew tobacco, will now and then unconsciously themselves violate the ordinance. Women, who as yet have not taken to chewing, and whose care for their skirts leads them to deprecate the spitting habit, would probably be more quick to detect the violation.

In some of the cities of England women have held positions as sanitary inspectors and health visitors for years. This is not quite the same as being a police officer, yet it indicates one of the activities in which police women might be particularly useful. Everything depends upon the selection of the women. A police woman with a narrow view, a lack of tact, wanting in intelligence, or weak in health, would be likely to bring discredit upon the experiment. On the other hand, a broad-minded, generous, sympathetic and resourceful woman might render much useful public service.

THE NATION'S BUSINESS.

"The Nation's Business" is the title of a unique newspaper published in Washington, D. C., by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States of America. This publication, devoted entirely to the solving of the economic problems of the country, demonstrates convincingly the vast field for practical usefulness open to this national commercial body, with which it is desired that all state, county and city commercial organizations in the country affiliate. The current issue is devoted almost entirely to the good roads propaganda, with communications from the leaders in this movement in all parts of the country, showing what progress is being made. Maps and diagrams show the principal state and national highways all over the land and the newspaper presents the good roads situation in America in its entirety.

The idea of the National Chamber of Commerce is team work carried to the "nth power." Exactly what the "Nation's Business" is, is set forth in the following editorial in the newspaper bearing that title:

The nation's business is to learn the extent of our resources and to understand the interests of our population, without whose activities resources have no value. The nation's business is to regard the use of resources as better than either waste or idleness, and therefore to move for conservation that shall safeguard the future while serving the present.

The nation's business is summed up in three productive lines—agriculture, mines and manufacturing, in three distributive lines, transportation, distribution and finance, and in various activities dependent upon production and distribution—education, the professions, governmental life, agriculture, service, and the like.

The nation's business is to believe that all who render service are entitled to reward, and to implant the element of hope and courage in every human being who, in his place, is doing his duty well.

The nation's business is to strive for genuine equilibrium between agriculture, industry and commerce.

The nation's business is to work for unity of purpose in variety of tasks, to seek one spirit, a patriotism, an understanding of the activities and responsibilities of every citizen and to look forward to unity of sentiment, and a common judgment in the years that will follow.

The nation's business is to secure that every citizen shall have the right to work, and to have his work rewarded with a living wage, and to have his work rewarded with a living wage, and to have his work rewarded with a living wage.

The nation's business is to place in the hands of every citizen such educational and cultural information as can prepare him to do his duty well.

IN THE APPLE

A Boy's Thanksgiving Dinner. An eight-year-old boy was asked to write out what he considered a good dinner bill of fare for Thanksgiving, and here it is:

- Pumpkin Pie.
- Mince Pie.
- Pumpkin Pie.
- Pumpkin Pie.
- Pumpkin Pie.
- Pumpkin Pie.
- Pumpkin Pie.
- Pumpkin Pie.
- Pumpkin Pie.
- Pumpkin Pie.

Vain Regret. The prodigal son. Came home from afar. The neighbors admired His gasoline car.

When somebody asked "Will his father be in?" The wise one said, "Yes, He's bringing the tin."

"The prodigal son. Has prospered at last; O' would he have loved him In the days that are past!" —Exchange.

HAS ANY PERSON seen Chaffin?

THAT FELLOW MacVeagh must be a hard customer to get along with.

WHEN A GIRL says "Bee-leave me" is doesn't necessarily signify that her veracity is to be questioned.

ALL OF THOSE war correspondents seem to be clinging to the safe places.

"O, WOULD I WERE you gossamer," a poet warbles. Now why in time should anyone want to be a makintosh?

THE THIRD TERM movement is still a great menace, says the New York Herald. Some one ought to tell that editor that the election is over.

"IS YOUR WIFE fond of dancing?" "Yes, especially the nights I prefer to stay at home."

THE PROBLEM of the irresistible force and the immovable obstacle is a simple alongside of the job of putting a 200-pound champion into one of those umbrella cover gowns.

THERE ARE indications that the main bout over on the Bosphorus will be a non-event.

Until this thing happened through the printer's error, the printer who wrote a martyr who withstood the persecution. Always coming to a starter. He maintained that every printer should be free in hours of labor. To select a different pi line. From that throned in by his neighbor.

Just to show his pet contention. He sat down and wrote a sample of his new, progressive pi line. Wrote a jumble, brief but simple. Then the printers of the old school looked at it and said, "It's not a pi line. But he argued for his pi line. With the pi line devotion. It was this—'SHIRDLU SHIRDLU SHIRDLU'."

And a few among the printers. Stood behind the new-thought leader.

Vowed to use this brand-new pi line. To confuse the gentle reader. Doggedly he kept contending. And this break became a schism. Thus the two divergent pi lines. Stand today in realism. Vide "ETAION SHIRDLUETAON SHIRDLU." —H. G. G. in the Chicago Tribune.

IMPORTANT MINE DEAL MEANS MORE ACTIVITY AROUND PINOS ALTOS

Albuquerque, N. M., Jan. 10.—A mining deal which adds to the generally prevailing impression that the Pinos Altos district will soon be a hive of industry was consummated in this city last week when E. P. Clark disposed of two claims to parties from California who will immediately begin work on same.

The property involved in the deal consists of the City View and Grand View claims, both of which are located midway between this city and Pinos Altos. The purchasers are George N. Paul and E. N. Rodgers, both of San Diego, California. The claims are closed by the latter, who returned Thursday to California, and Mr. Paul, who is going to assume active charges of the development work, is expected to arrive tomorrow from San Diego. The corporation has not been made public, though it is understood to be several thousand dollars for each claim.

The work of developing the property will start this week when heavy machinery will be put on. At present there is a 100-foot shaft on the City View claim, showing four feet of ore. On the Grand View there is a 300-foot tunnel, 7 feet in diameter, and two other shafts of less depth. The new owners plan to run a tunnel in the direction of the 100-foot shaft on the City View claim, the tunnel level to be at least 100 feet below the present depth of the shaft.

THE MAKING OF A MAN

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